

**ALDWARK AREA PARISH COUNCIL
MINUTES OF THE MEETING HELD AT ALDWARK MANOR HOTEL
ON TUESDAY 21 JULY 2015**

Present: Councillors: Colin Stroud (Chairman), Gemma Boddy, Andy Follington, Sue Southall, John Topliss

In Attendance: HDC Cllr. Chris Rooke

Apologies for Absence: NYCC Cllr Peter Sowray, HDC Cllr Nigel Knapton

15/49 MINUTES

The minutes of the meeting held on 14 May 2015 were agreed as a correct record.

15/50 MATTERS ARISING

Item 15/34 – the drainage issues arising from application 13/01807/FUL, Fold House, Aldwark, are being monitored.

15/51 CHAIRMANS REPORT

- (a) CS had attended a Sunset Ceremony event at RAF Linton on Ouse on 11 June.
- (b) CS to be informed if any problems occurred involving the agreement with Coast to Coast Recycling (David Coning) regarding waste spreading in the parish.
- (c) There had been a change at Tollerton Parish Council following a mix up over the recent elections and a new Clerk had been appointed.

15/52 PLANNING APPLICATIONS

- (a) **15/0193/FUL**, Revised application for part two storey and part single storey rear extension and erection of detached garage and rendering of existing dwelling, Bay Horse Farmhouse, Aldwark – no objections
- (b) **15/01421/TPO**, Works to trees covered by preservation order, Aldwark Manor - no objections.

15/53 HDC PLANNING DECISIONS AND APPEALS

- (a) **15/00694/FUL**, Construction of 3 dwelling houses & associated garages on land adjacent to The Cottages, Aldwark - Granted
- (b) **15/00967/FUL**, Construction of replacement double garage, 2 Tholthorpe Road, Tholthorpe - Granted
- (c) **15/01034/CAT**, Proposed works to weeping willow, the Dairy, Aldwark - Granted
- (d) **15/01092/CAT**, Proposed felling of three trees, Bay Horse Farmhouse, Aldwark – Granted
- (e) **15/01037/FUL**, Installation of 16 solar panels on south west roof slope of existing dwelling, the Dairy, Aldwark - Granted

15/54 GRASS CUTTING

NYCC had carried out cutting on the road between Aldwark bridge and Youlton. SS had spoken to Geoff Hancock re grass cutting in Aldwark. The NYCC grant had increased from £50 to £85 for 2015. CS raised the issue of the problems with giant hogweed in the parish.

15/55 SPEEDING IN FLAWITH, ALDWARK AND YOULTON

- (a) CS had circulated a summary of the meeting held with Sgt Hunter. JT was still not happy with the data produced for Flawith and undertook to contact Sgt Hunter to discuss further.
- (b) Cllr Rooke outlined details of the mobile matrix scheme which might be of interest to the PC.

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- (c) It was agreed to trial some wheelie bin stickers in the parish - CS to try and obtain some through Harrogate District Council, Cllr Rooke to enquire at HDC.
- (d) JT to ask Sgt Hunter about the effectiveness of “children playing” signs.

15/56 RURAL ACTION YORKSHIRE – 52 THINGS FOR A COMMUNITY TO DO

AF raised the issue of the community infrastructure levy which will be applied to the housing development recently approved in Aldwark. Cllr Rooke gave some background on how this could be applied for and CS undertook to make further enquiries. AF to insert an item in the Parish newsletter asking residents for ideas on how the money could be spent to benefit residents of Aldwark.

15/57 LOCAL PLAN/NEIGHBOURHOOD PLAN & HDC CALL FOR SITES

- (a) GB raised the possibility of producing a local plan to influence any future development in the parish, in particular Aldwark. It was agreed to invite Andrew Cunningham, or a representative from HDC Planning, to the next meeting to talk about this in more detail.
- (b) HDC Call for sites – JT agreed to respond to this referring to a derelict building in Flawith.

15/58 AUTOMATED EXTERNAL DEFIBRILLATORS

It was agreed to canvass opinion in Aldwark about raising funds to purchase an automated defibrillator – AF to place an item in the parish newsletter.

15/59 WEBSITE and PC EMAIL ADDRESS

AF and GB undertook to look into and report back to the next meeting on the possibility of running a separate website for the Aldwark Area Parish Council and therefore leaving the current site shared with Tollerton PC, www.aldwarkparish.co.uk. AF has set up a new email address for the PC which is aldwarkpc@gmail.com but it was agreed this would not be used on the current website.

15/60 FLAWITH NOTICEBOARD

JT had replaced the bolt and was hoping to organise the resetting and refixing of the legs to the Flawith noticeboard.

15/61 DONATION TOWARDS THE COST OF THE PARISH NEWSLETTER

It was agreed that a £50 donation be made, as last year, towards parish newsletter costs.

15/62 RECORDING OF PARISH COUNCIL MEETINGS

The revised template rules for the recording of Parish Council meetings were approved.

15/63 PORTFOLIO RESPONSIBILITIES

- (a) Aldwark play area – AF agreed to carry out repairs to the fencing near the entrance.
- (b) Public communications - AF putting items in the parish newsletter.
CS outlined work he had been doing with a volunteer consultant recommended by Peter Cole at HDC in an effort to improve broadband speeds in Flawith and Youlton. Possible solutions had been identified. He reported that BT is installing fibre to the cabinet at Alne Cross which should improve broadband service in Alne, Flawith and Youlton. Aldwark was in line to get BT superfast broadband at some point in the future.

15/64 FINANCE

- (a) Bank balances, actual vs budget and receipts and payments were noted. Balance as at 7 July 2015 £5,416.83.
- (b) A payment of £16.95 for Clerks expenses was approved.

15/65 CORRESPONDENCE

Information on the Library Service consultation and a request for sites for development were noted.

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15/66 REPORT FROM DISTRICT COUNCILLOR

Cllr Rooke reported on the appointment of 3 Aldermen, John Smith, John Prest & Arthur Barker, and gave an update on the leisure centre at Northallerton. He had attended a presentation on proposed changes to refuse collection in the area and the likely introduction of an additional recycling bin. This was yet to be approved by Cabinet.

Cllr Rooke also gave some background to the LDF and interim policy applied by the Planning Committee in their recent approval of the housing development in Aldwark.

15/67 DATE OF NEXT MEETING

The next meeting would be held at 7.30 pm on Tuesday 15 September, at Aldwark Manor Hotel.

Signed
Chairman

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